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SUBJECT: SADAT'S COMMENTS TO EXPATRIATE STUDENTS

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1. SADAT COMMENTS IN MEETING WITH EXPATRIATE EGYPTIAN STUDENTS AUGUST 3 WERE FOR MOST PART REPETITION OF POINTS CONTAINED JULY 22 AND 26 SPEECHES (REFTEL), BUT EMPHASIS SOMEWHAT MORE ON EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

A. WAR AND PEACE. SADAT STRESSED THAT EGYPT PREPARED
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TO SEEK PEACEFUL SOLUTION BUT THAT IF IT FAILS ARMED

FORCES ARE FULLY EQUIPPED AND READY TO DO THEIR DUTY TO LIBERATE OCCUPIED TERRITORY DESPITE SOVIET REFUSAL TO MAKE UP OCTOBER WAR LOSSES. HE SUGGESTED THAT THOSE SKEPTICAL ABOUT EGYPTIAN MILITARY SKILLS AND DETERMINATION SHOULD NOTE THAT OCTOBER WAR SPEAKS FOR ITSELF. CLAIMED THAT EGYPT HAD OVERCOME PROBLEM OF ISRAELI EARLY WARNING STATION AT SITE OF STATION MENTIONED IN SINAI II DURING FIRST FIVE MINUTES OF 1973 WAR. UNTIL TODAY, HE SAID "CORPSES OF JEWS ARE BURIED UNDER DEBRIS OF THAT STATION." AFTER SINAI II, PRESIDENT SAID, HE ASKED US FOR EARLY WARNING STATION AND EGYPT NOW HAS ONE OF BEST IN WORLD AT COST OF \$120 MILLION.

B. SINAI II: SADAT DEFENDED SECOND SINAI DISENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT, CLAIMING THAT SYRIAN BA'ATH PARTY AND PALESTINIANS WAGED "PREMEDITATED CAMPAIGN AND FALSEHOODS AND SLANDERS" AGAINST EGYPT. SAID THAT FOLLOWING UNFOUNDED UPROAR, PALESTINIANS DISCOVERED THAT SYRIANS AND KING HUSAYN HAD AGREED ON LIQUIDATION OF PLO. ACCUSED SYRIANS OF PERATIONS AGAINST PALESTINIANS WORSE THAN THOSE WAGED BY ISRAELIS, NOTING THEY USING SOVIET ARMS AGAINST PALESTINIANS.

C. US-SYRIAN COLLUSION IN LEBANON. SADAT ASSERTED THAT AGREEMENT BETWEEN SYRIA AND ISRAEL ON LIMITS OF SYRIAN PENETRATION INTO LEBANON WAS REACHED THROUGH UNITED STATES. SYRIA AND ISRAEL ALSO HAD CONTACTS IN GENEVA AND SYRIANS GIVEN FREE HAND IN LEBANON BECAUSE THEY WERE LIQUIDATING PALESTINIANS.

D. ECONOMY: SADAT AGAIN EXPRESSED THANKS FOR ARAB AID, BUT NOTED THAT EGYPT EXPERIENCING ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES AND TWO BILLION DOLLAR ARAB FUND JUST NOT ENOUGH. EGYPTIANS ASKING FOR LOANS, NOT AID; HOWEVER HE DOES NOT WISH TO GIVE ARAB BRETHERN IMPRESSION THAT HE BELITTLING THEIR PAST AID, PARTICULARLY IN VIEW OF MANY UNPUBLICIZED SAUDI CONTRIBUTIONS.

2. COMMENT: SADAT'S COMMENT ON DESTRUCTION OF ISRAELI EWS AND ISRAELI BODIES WAS APPARENTLY IN CONFIDENTIAL

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RESPONSE TO POINTED QUESTION. WE AT LOSS TO IDENTIFY EWS ALLEGEDLY DESTROYED. SADAT JOINED IN SHARP GOE CRITICISM OF SYRIANS IN RESPONSE TO REVIVED ATTACKS ON SINAI II NOW ISSUING FROM DAMASCUS. AGAIN, SADAT SPARED ASAD ANY DIRECT CRITICISM. PRESIDENTIAL ECHO OF ACCUSATIONS OF SYRIAN-ISRAELI COLLUSION OF LEBANON AND AGAINST PALESTINIANS BRINGS PUBLIC ANTI-SYRIAN CAMPAIGN TO HIGHEST LEVEL. MEANWHILE, IT CLEAR THAT

SADAT CONVINCED OF US HAND IN SYRIAN INTERVENTION IN
LEBANON. HE HAS NOW MADE THIS UNHELPFUL VIEW OFFICIAL
AND WE WILL BE HARD PUT TO CONVINCE ANYONE HERE
THAT MATTER OTHERWISE.
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